TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of:	
METRO TWO-WAY, LLC	WTB Docket No. 18-133
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The above-entitled matter came on for hearing, pursuant to notice, at 1:00 p.m.

BEFORE:

THE HONORABLE RICHARD L. SIPPEL, Chief Administrative Law Judge

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2	(12:56 p.m.)	
3	JUDGE SIPPEL: This is a prehearing, first prehearing	
4	conference in the case of Two-Way, well I'll refer to it as	
5	the Two-Way case, Metro Two-Way. And the HDO was issued on	
6	this, let's see, it was May 3rd, 2018. And it's Docket No	
7	this is enforced, it's WTB Wireless is that wireless?	
8	MR. O'NEIL: Yes, Your Honor.	
9	MS. KANE: Yes, Your Honor.	
10	JUDGE SIPPEL: Wireless Docket No. 18-133. And I'll	
11	take the appearances first of the Enforcement Bureau.	
12	MS. KANE: Good afternoon, Your Honor. On behalf of	
13	the Enforcement Bureau is Pamela Kane.	
14	JUDGE SIPPEL: Ms. Kane.	
15	MR. ENGEL: Your Honor, Michael Engel	
16	JUDGE SIPPEL: Mr. Engel.	
17	MR. ENGEL: for the Bureau.	
18	JUDGE SIPPEL: And you?	
19	MR. O'NEIL: Your Honor, David O'Neil on behalf of	
20	Mobile Relay Associates.	
21	JUDGE SIPPEL: Mobile Relay Associates?	
22	MR. O'NEIL: Yes, Your Honor.	
23	JUDGE SIPPEL: Which is different than Two-Way?	
24	MR. O'NEIL: Correct.	
25	JUDGE SIPPEL: And so I see that's the only counsel	
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at the party's table, the private party's table, so I take it that there's no appearance from Metro Two-Way. Am I correct?

MS. KANE: Your Honor, as far as we can tell, we've received no notice of appearance. There's nothing that's been filed on the electronic system. There doesn't appear to be anything filed in the docket.

So it would be our position that Metro Two-Way has not filed a notice of appearance and, therefore, waives its right to appear at a hearing. And at this point I, it's appropriate for you to terminate the hearing and dismiss the pending applications as well as revoke the authorizations for licenses that Metro Two-Way currently holds.

JUDGE SIPPEL: Do I have a record to do that with, other than just the non-appearance?

MS. KANE: Pursuant to Section 1.221(c) of the rules, Your Honor, you, at a minimum, have the ability to terminate the hearing and dismiss the pending application with prejudice.

Pursuant to 1.91(c), I believe, of the rules as well, failure to provide a notice of appearance may lead to continuing action from the judge. And we actually did put in the HDO, I believe at Paragraph 18, notice to the parties that if they failed to provide a notice of appearance that their rights to appear before the hearing, in this hearing matter, would be waived.

JUDGE SIPPEL: All right, the only thing I'm concerned about is reaching the conclusion on question 50. But maybe I don't even have to get into that. There'll be enough to, certainly there's enough stated there, I realize, to dismiss the proceeding and to decline the application for a new license.

Maybe, if you can come up with something just please let me know. I'm not totally worried about it, but I'd like to know that I'm on the right track, I'm skating the right rink. That's a, kind of an ice hockey analogy.

MR. O'NEIL: Your Honor, if I could inquire the court, what's the question the court would like clarification on?

JUDGE SIPPEL: Whether or not there is sufficient information and evidence in the record to make findings upon the question 50, which is a false answer. I'm answering no, that there hasn't been convicted of a felony. That was basically the question.

MR. O'NEIL: Well, Your Honor, under the Paragraph 18 of the Hearing Designation Order, I apologize if we're doubling, but under Paragraph 18 of the Hearing Designation Order, it's really self-effectuating, the dismissal of the application. They have failed to enter an appearance, they being Metro Two-Way. And failure to enter appearance constitutes waiver of a hearing.

1 JUDGE SIPPEL: Right. 2 MR. O'NEIL: So they've defaulted and so there's 3 nothing left for the court. It says, the court shall dismiss. 4 So it's, the case is done. 5 JUDGE SIPPEL: That I will do. MR. O'NEIL: Yes, Your Honor. 6 7 But that still doesn't answer the JUDGE SIPPEL: 8 question about revocation of the other licenses. 9 MS. KANE: Well, it would be our argument, Your 10 they've waived opportunity to defend Honor, that the themselves against any of the allegations set forth in the HDO 11 12 by failing to appear. And in terms of whether or not to make a particular 13 factual finding, I think those factors, it's in essence a 14 default judgment. Those, it would be and should be considered 15 the same in the essence that those allegations should be 16 17 in the absence of any evidence deemed to be true or presentation by Metro Two-Way to the opposite. 18 And on that basis alone there should be sufficient 19 20 information in the HDO itself on which to base a finding that those licenses should be revoked. 21 JUDGE SIPPEL: Well, that's what I'm not sure about, 22 whether or not I've got all I need. And there's nothing 23 I mean, it's just the allegation is there. And I, the 24 it self-defeating,

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MS. KANE: I believe there is actual evidence that's identified in the footnotes, Your Honor, of the HDO that establishes what the answer to question 50 and other information in the record, the California record, about the owners of the company and that that would be a, that alone would be sufficient to demonstrate that they lied on question 50 on their applications.

JUDGE SIPPEL: But what I'd be interested in seeing would be a copy of the judgment, or the copy of the record of forfeiture, some, probably from the state court, if that is around any place.

In other words, he's being charged with lying that he didn't, he's never had a felony. And yet, you know there is evidence of, he is a, you take a position that he is, has lied about that. And I'm accepting all of that.

But now I'm supposed to make a finding that's going to pull his licenses. And I think you need a little bit more, I need a little bit more than just him not showing up. Some kind of a record evidence, which wouldn't require, to my mind, wouldn't require anything more than just a proof of conviction, of the conviction. I'm sorry, I didn't get your appearance, sir.

MR. O'NEIL: David O'Neil for Mobile Relay.

JUDGE SIPPEL: Yes, do you know anything about this?

1	MR. O'NEIL: Actually, I was looking at, coming from
2	Acumen where there would cached, a judgment against Mr.
3	Mosquera.
4	JUDGE SIPPEL: Right.
5	MR. O'NEIL: So I think
6	JUDGE SIPPEL: Go ahead.
7	MR. O'NEIL: I think there's already a record. I
8	mean, I'm not sure. I could go back into our record and see
9	if it was attached to our petition. But I do think there's
10	documentary evidence that the question about Mr. Mosquera's
11	qualifications and whether he was convicted and lied, I think
12	that might be in the record already.
13	JUDGE SIPPEL: Well, it's going to be in that
14	document as record, not this record.
15	MS. KANE: Well, I believe it's cited in the HDO,
16	Your Honor.
17	JUDGE SIPPEL: It is cited, yes. It is cited. And
18	I have no question about that.
19	MR. ENGEL: It actually, yes, it's a link to, the
20	cite is a link to where the pardon to where the conviction
21	JUDGE SIPPEL: Can we link into this? Or do you want
22	to send me a copy of that?
23	MS. KANE: I believe the abstract of judgment is
24	attached

JUDGE SIPPEL: That's what I'm looking for.

MS. KANE: -- to one of the filings that Mobile Relay made, which is cited in the HDO. So I think all of the evidence upon which we relied for our allegations is set forth in the footnotes of the HDO and can be easily determined. That being said, if the court would like us 6 provide you with the documentation upon which we relied I don't see that there should be any issue with that. No it's, I, it should be something JUDGE SIPPEL: 9 very simple. I'm not looking for the record, I just want what should be just about one piece of paper that verifies, some 11 official record that verifies that he was, in fact, whether he plead or was convicted of a felony. And other than that 13 everything's --MS. KANE: As I said, Your Honor, I believe it's an attachment to Mobile Relay's informal objection to 15 application, which we cited and we linked to in the HDO. 16 should it be more convenient for Your Honor that we provide 17 you with specific copies of that, we're happy to do so. 18 JUDGE SIPPEL: Yes, please do that. Okav. 19 20 off the hook, Mr. O'Neil. They're going to give me what I 21 need. Okay, thank you, Your Honor. 22 MR. O'NEIL: 23 JUDGE SIPPEL: So, what's that? We never get calls to this thing, the nonexistent phone. Okay, is there anything 24

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1 MS. KANE: I don't believe so, Your Honor. MR. O'NEIL: No, Your Honor. 2 3 JUDGE SIPPEL: Okay. Hope the rest of our cases go 4 this well. Okay, well you all have a good day. Thank you 5 for, also, for accommodating me on my schedule. And you all 6 have a good day today. It's going to rain late this afternoon 7 so you want to be careful you have an umbrella. Okay. 8 MS. KANE: Thank you, Your Honor. 9 JUDGE SIPPEL: We're finished here. This conference 10 is terminated, closed. And the case will be terminated as requested by the bureau subject to my receiving that one, just 11 12 one document, whatever it was, a couple documents. Thank you. 13 MS. KANE: Thank you, Your Honor. Thank you, Your Honor. 14 MR. O'NEIL: 15 (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter went off the 16 record at 1:06 p.m.) 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25

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